

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 199 – HB 384

February 3, 2017

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates the Tennessee Council on Autism Spectrum Disorder (Council) to establish a long-term plan for a system of care for individuals with autism spectrum disorder and their families. The Council will be administratively attached to the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (DIDD) and will make recommendations and provide leadership in program development regarding matters concerning all levels of autism spectrum disorder services, including, but not limited to, health care, education, and other adult, adolescent, and children's services. Deletes the Autism Spectrum Disorder Taskforce (ASDT). Adds the Council to the sunset cycle provisions under the *Tennessee Governmental Entity Review Law*, thereby creating a termination date for the Council of June 30, 2018.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Public Chapter 1010 of Public Acts 2014 created the ASDT.
- Based on information provided by the Department of Health, the ASDT never convened; therefore, no expenditures were incurred relative to operation of the task force.
- Based on information provided by the DIDD, any administrative functions associated with the Council can be accomplished within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- The Council will consist of 14 members and will meet quarterly; however, and pursuant to the provisions of this bill, no council member will receive compensation or reimbursement for travel or other expenses incurred in attending any meeting or in performing any duties of the Council.
- The Comptroller of the Treasury, the Division of Audit, will accommodate any additional auditing responsibilities as a result of the addition of the Council to the statutory sunset provisions utilizing existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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